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Today hundreds of thousands of tourists from around the country and around the world make the trip to this tiny village each year in order to kiss the Blarney Stone. Kissing the stone is no easy task. It is set high in the castle wall. Visitors must first climb the long steps to the top of the wall. Then, in order to reach the stone they must lie on their backs on the walkway above it and lean over backwards while an attendant holds their legs to prevent them from falling. Now there are warning sign, for in the past, several unfortunate visitors have fallen to their deaths as they tried to kissed the stone. Still, the prize is worth the danger, for it is said that once it is kissed the stone grants to that individual the gift of eloquence.

設問1 but と because を補って、著者の主張文を浮き立たせなさい。(20)

設問2 設問1を参考にして、テーマを本文中から抜き出さなさい。(20)

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設問3 still と for の意味に留意して、下線部を和訳しなさい。(20)

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設問4 最も適当なものを1つ選んで○で囲みなさい。(20)

According to the passage, the custom of kissing the Blarney Stone is ( ).

- (A) potentially dangerous
- (B) rather easily accomplished
- (C) limited to certain days of the year
- (D) relatively unknown outside Ireland

設問5 設問4の根拠文に下線を引きなさい。(20)

注

grant = give

that individual = その人